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mail," adding that she had been away for the week end and would not receive her mail until the post office opened Monday morning.

Miss Bentley, who teaches French and English at College of Sacred Heart, Grand Coteau, also said that she did not know the duration of the position or when

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it would begin, if it were offered her. In addition to her teaching duties, she gives many lectures on communism.

Scan Red Papers

According to Banister, the job of research analyst would call for reading and reviewing publications published by Communists, communist sympathizers and persons "duped" into subversive activities to determine the policies and operations of Communists in relation to activity in the New Orleans area.

He added that he was in no position to offer Miss Bentley a definite job, since the city finance and administrative officials would have to make the official offer. He said that Miss Bentley seemed to be "very interested" in the job, but that she did not make any definite statement as to acceptance.

"Should such an offer be made and Miss Bentley accept, she would be extremely valuable to the police department in combating the Communist problem in New Orleans," Banister said, adding that Miss Bentley's background and knowledge of Communist operations would be ideally suited for the job.

Civilian Employe

Banister added that Miss Bentley, if she were to be secured for the position, would be serving as a civilian employe of the police department, "unless she decided to make a career of it."

Banister mentioned his plans for the job only two days after the Senate internal security subcommittee closed hearings into alleged Communist activities in New Orleans.

At Friday's closing session of the hearing, Sen. James Eastland of Mississippi, subcommittee chairman, said, " . . . There has been in New Orleans an active Communist underground movement, small but co-ordinated, that has sought to infiltrate labor unions, the churches, farmer organizations, Parent-Teacher Associations, the channels of public opinion and other streams of influence in our society."

Former Courier

A confessed ex-Communist courier, Miss Bentley's testimony in 1947 was a top source of information, along with that of another confessed ex-Communist, Whittaker Chambers, against the late Harry Dexter White.

In her testimony Miss Bentley described herself as a former Red spy and said she directed the agents' attempts to pry out state secrets or lead government departments toward Soviet policy.

Among her confessed achievements as a spy was that of placing a source of information in the office of strategic services (OSS). She told a Senate subcommittee that the late Harry Dexter White "sold" former secretary of the treasury Henry Morgenthau on a plan to make Germany a pastoral land after the end of World War II.

Miss Bentley, in her testimony, before both Senate and House groups, named at least a dozen men and women she said were implicated in wartime spying for the Soviet Union, as well as their methods of operation.

Reuther Speaks to 10,000 Indians

JAMSHEDPUR, India, April 8 (AP)—American union leader Walter Reuther tonight commended to Indian workers what he called U.S. labor's philosophy of practical idealism.

Reuther addressed his first labor rally of his 11-day tour of India. About 10,000 attended.

He urged Indian workers to consider the struggle for their improvement as a necessary part of the nation's advancement.

Jamshedpur is an iron, steel and coal center managed entirely by private enterprise.

Reuther, who arrived today from Calcutta, was received by a crowd of 3,000, waving flags and shouting "Reuther Zindabad — Long live Reuther."

He ended his speech with: "Jai Hind"—"Victory be to India."

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